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1 hour 30 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)
Insert (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **four** questions in total:
Section A: answer **all** questions.
Section B: answer **one** question.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.
- Sketch maps and diagrams should be drawn whenever they serve to illustrate an answer.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The insert contains all the resources referred to in the questions.

LICs = low income countries.

MICs = middle income countries.

HICs = high income countries.

This document has **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Section A

Answer **all** questions in this section. All questions are worth 10 marks.

Population

1 Fig. 1.1 shows the global pattern of average annual rate of population change (%), 2015–2020.

- (a) Using Fig. 1.1, describe the global pattern of population change. [4]
- (b) Suggest **two** reasons why some countries may have high rates of population growth. [2]
- (c) Explain why a government might try to increase a country's population. [4]

Migration

2 Fig. 2.1 shows part of a refugee camp in Syria, an LIC in Asia, 2019.

- (a) Describe the characteristics of the refugee camp shown in Fig. 2.1. [4]
- (b) Suggest **two** reasons why there may be few adult males in a refugee camp. [2]
- (c) Explain why refugee camps are only a short-term solution to an influx of migrants. [4]

Population/Settlement dynamics

3 Fig. 3.1 shows population growth for Berlin, Germany, an HIC in Europe, and Mumbai, India, an MIC in Asia, 1960–2020.

- (a) Compare the population growth for the two cities shown in Fig. 3.1. [3]
- (b) Suggest **two** reasons for the population growth of Mumbai shown in Fig. 3.1. [3]
- (c) Explain why many cities in HICs are declining in population. [4]

Section B

Answer **one** question from this section. All questions are worth 30 marks.

Population

4 (a) Describe the causes of food shortages. [7]

(b) With the aid of examples, explain the consequences of food shortages. [8]

(c) With the aid of examples, assess the extent to which technology is the solution to food shortages in LICs/MICs. [15]

Population/Migration

5 (a) With the aid of examples, describe the difference between obstacles, constraints and barriers to migration. [7]

(b) With the aid of examples, explain why governments might attempt to control **internal** migration. [8]

(c) 'Improvements in transport is the main reason for the global increase in international migration.'

With the aid of examples, how far do you agree with this view? [15]

Population/Migration/Settlement dynamics

6 (a) With the aid of examples, describe the functional zonation that may occur in cities in HICs. [7]

(b) With the aid of examples, explain the causes of functional zonation in cities. [8]

(c) 'Very large cities in LICs/MICs often have negative consequences for countries.'

With the aid of examples, how far do you agree? [15]

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